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DETERMINATION OF LITHIUM ION CONCENTRATION IN A BIOLOGICAL

FLUID

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Supplemental to Applicants' response dated August 21, 2006, to the final Office Action dated May 19, 2006 ("the Office Action"), and responsive to the Advisory Action dated August 31, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as indicated below and consider the remarks that follow.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.